



### 2021 The Genesis Invitational

(19<sup>th</sup> of 50 events in the 2020-21 PGA TOUR Season)

GENESIS  
INVITATIONAL

Pacific Palisades, California  
The Riviera Country Club

February 18-21, 2021  
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,322

FedExCup Points: 550 (winner)  
Purse: \$9,300,000 (\$1,674,000 winner)

#### FINAL Third-Round Notes – Sunday, February 21, 2021

**Weather: Saturday:** Sunny. High of 63. Wind NNW 15-20 mph, with gusts to 35 mph. Play was suspended at 10:08 a.m. PT due to inclement weather (high winds), with all but the last group having teed off. Play resumed at 2:02 p.m. for a total delay of 3 hours, 54 minutes. The third round was delayed due to darkness at 5:45 p.m. with 23 players yet to complete their round. **Sunday:** Sunny. High of 71. Wind NNE 12-18 mph, with gusts to 25 mph. The third round resumed at 6:49 a.m. and was completed at 8:14 a.m.

#### FINAL Third-Round Leaderboard

Sam Burns	64-66-74 (-9)
Matthew Fitzpatrick	66-71-69 (-7)
Dustin Johnson	68-67-71 (-7)
Max Homa	66-70-70 (-7)

#### Things to Know

- Sam Burns holds a two-stroke lead, his second 54-hole lead/co-lead of the season (T7/Vivint Houston Open)
- Burns is the only player to hold multiple outright 54-hole leads during the 2020-21 season
- Burns has held the lead after each of the first three rounds; attempting to become fourth wire-to-wire winner in tournament history and first on TOUR since Nick Taylor at the 2020 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am
- World No. 1 and 2017 The Genesis Invitational champion Dustin Johnson sits two strokes off the lead
- Third-round scoring average of 73.343 is the highest among third and final rounds at The Genesis Invitational on record (since 1983)
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- The last time play was suspended on TOUR due to high winds was the 2016 Farmers Insurance Open (final round), which included inclement weather consisting of rain and high winds

#### Third-Round Lead Notes

- 6 Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win The Genesis Invitational since 2010 (Steve Stricker/2010, Aaron Baddeley/2011, Bubba Watson, 2016, Dustin Johnson/2017, Watson/2018, Adam Scott/2020)
- 7 Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2020-21 (Most recent: Patrick Reed/Farmers Insurance Open)

#### Sam Burns (1<sup>st</sup>/-9)

Category	Entering the week
Age	24 (July 23, 1996)
FedExCup	68
OWGR	149
Starts at The Genesis Invitational	2
Wins at The Genesis Invitational	0
Top-10s at The Genesis Invitational	0
Career PGA TOUR starts	69
Career PGA TOUR wins	0
Career PGA TOUR top-10s	8
PGA TOUR starts in 2020-21	9

PGA TOUR wins in 2020-21	0
PGA TOUR top-10s in 2020-21	2

- Holds his second 54-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR (finished T7 at the 2020 Vivint Houston Open)
- Only player to hold multiple outright 54-hole leads on TOUR during the 2020-21 season
- Wire-to-wire winners at The Genesis Invitational: Ben Hogan (1948), Lloyd Mangrum (1956), Charles Sifford (1969)
- Last wire-to-wire winner on TOUR: Nick Taylor, 2020 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am
- Victory on Sunday would come in his 70<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR start at the age of 24 years, 6 months, 29 days
- After just two bogeys through his first 43 holes, had four bogeys in his final 11 holes of the third round
- Making third start at The Genesis Invitational (MC/2019, T23/2020)
- Best career PGA TOUR finish: T3/2018 Sanderson Farms Championship

#### Additional Player Notes

- Reigning FedExCup champion and World No. 1 **Dustin Johnson** (T2/-7) seeks a second title at The Genesis Invitational (2017)
- **Matthew Fitzpatrick** (T2/-7) strung together four straight birdies (one shy of his TOUR-best streak) on Nos. 5-8 en route to a 2-under 69; in search of first PGA TOUR victory in 77<sup>th</sup> start (best finish: 2<sup>nd</sup>/2019 Arnold Palmer Invitational)
- **Max Homa** (T2/-7) earned his first top-10 of the season at last week's AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am (T7); 1-under 70 marks his 11<sup>th</sup> consecutive under-par score and 15<sup>th</sup> straight of par or better
- FedExCup leader **Patrick Cantlay** (T5/-5) has a win (ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP @ SHERWOOD), a runner-up (The American Express) and a T3 (AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am) in his last five starts on TOUR
- **Tony Finau** (T5/-5) eagled Nos. 1 and 11 en route to a 1-under 70; marks the third round of his career with two eagles (most recent: 2017 THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES/R1)
- **Jordan Spieth** (T11/-4) has been inside the top 12 on the leaderboard after each of his last 11 rounds on TOUR
- With a third-round 78, **Joaquin Niemann** sees his consecutive rounds of par or better streak snapped at 17 rounds
- Defending champion **Adam Scott** stands T62 through three rounds

#### Course Statistics

	<b>Toughest Hole</b>	<b>Easiest Hole</b>
<b>R1:</b>	Par-4 2 <sup>nd</sup> and Par-4 12 <sup>th</sup> (4.258)	Par-5 1 <sup>st</sup> (4.358)
<b>R2:</b>	Par-4 15 <sup>th</sup> (4.311)	Par-5 1 <sup>st</sup> (4.193)
<b>R3:</b>	Par-4 18 <sup>th</sup> (4.507)	Par-5 1 <sup>st</sup> (4.269)

#### Scoring Averages

	<b>Front 9</b>	<b>Back 9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
<b>R1:</b>	35.017	36.192	71.208	-
<b>R2:</b>	34.706	36.202	70.908	71.059
<b>R3:</b>	35.806	37.537	73.343	71.559

#### Bogey-free rounds

**R1** (2): Tyler McCumber (67), Jim Furyk (69)

**R2** (2): Sam Burns (66), Carlos Ortiz (69)

**R3** (0): None